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#### PEARSON GLADIOLUS GARDENS

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Again we are pleased to greet our friends and to thank them for their splendid orders last year. We take this opportunity also to thank those who wrote us such nice letters about our own varieties, LADY ASTOR, SHENANDOAH, MILDRED CHANDLER and ROANOKE, all of which we are proud to say have won many blue ribbons at shows throughout the country.

Before proceeding further, we want to say that we did not move as we thought we would last time we visited you, but are still at the old stand and no doubt will stay put for the duration of the war, at least.

Someone has aptly said that "Morale contributes to victory—Flowers contribute to morale." We believe this is true and that many lovers of flowers will find in their gardens this summer just the kind of diversion and relaxation they will need.

We want to comment briefly on a few of the outstanding glads that came under our observation last summer. At the Southwest Virginia Gladiolus Society Show, Roanoke, Virginia, we saw SNOWSHEEN, Mr. E. B. Snyder's pure white blue ribboner. This beautifully ruffled glad with many open florets was as nice and as white as it has been our privilege to see and we predict for it a good future. In our own gardens there was WINGS of SONG, a salmon pink with cream throat, slightly ruffled, with many large florets open at one time. A particular favorite of ours despite its one fault of showing a blueness at the edges as it begins to fade. And here let the writer digress to say he has never seen a glad wholly without fault. When he does his own interest will flag somewhat.

ARETHUSA, a tall ruffled orange-vellow or apricot, stands up like a soldier. BEACON, a clear bright rose scarlet with cream blotch. If you want an eye-full of color, make up a basket of BEACON and EVELYN STINSON. Among our best oranges are DIANE, LADY ASTOR and SMOKY - TIPS. The latter is one of our small decoratives, a sort of light burnt orange SHENANDOAH and JALNA are our best smokies. COUER is a burnt orange with a throat similar to Shenandoah. Very popular with us. A light blue (so called) surpassing any we have seen in that class, is BLUE RIDGE, while the old variety AVE MARIA is still our favorite of the medium blues. As for the lavenders, some have claimed MINUET has been surpass-We have tried some of them and still have to be shown. Among the most outstanding reds of our acquaintance are MAS-TER MYRON and AMERICAN COMMANDER. The old COM-MANDER KOEHL is still no slouch and for hardiness in a hot, dry season, AMADOR is like a Marine at Wake Island. goes for our own Lady Astor as well.

### Please Read The Following Conditions and Terms of Sale Before Ordering

We will pay transportation charges on all domestic retail orders if not less than \$1.00. If less, please include enough for

postage, otherwise we will be losing money. Ten bulbs at 8 times the price for one. One hundred bulbs at 8 times the price for 10.

All stock offered and orders accepted subject to prior sale.

If interested in bulblets or smaller sizes than herein listed, please write us for prices.

Now just a word about thrips, as treacherous an insect, almost, as the Japs. Play safe by soaking every bulb in some good insecticide solution before planting, no matter where you buy them, even though someone tells you his bulbs have been immunized before shipment. We speak from years of experience.

### GENERAL PRICE LIST

VARIETY AND COLOR Per		BULBS Large Medium	
* Albatross, tall pure white * Amador, flashing bright red		.40 .40	.30
Amberglow, amber yellow	1	.15 .40	.10 .25
Arethusa, ruffled apricot, cream throat	1	.15 .15	.10 .10
* Ave Maria, early medium blue * Bagdad, smoky old rose	10	.40 .40	.30.
Barcarole, orange salmon		.20 .10	.10
* Betty Nuthall, late orange salmon		.40 .25	.30 .15
Bingo, creamy sport of Picardy Black Opal, rich dark red	1 1	.20 .20	.15
Blue Beauty, large medium blue Blue Ridge, new sky blue		.15 .10	.10
* Brightsides, ruffled orange and yellow * Charles Dickens, violet red, darker blotch	10	.40 .40	.30
Colossus, large pink with red feather*  * Commander Koehl, tall deep red	2	.15 .40	.10
Corquest, salmon pink, cream blotch	2	.15 .15	.10 .10
* Creve Couer, orange with deeper orange blotch		.40 .50	.30 .35
* Doctor Bennett, a good scarlet	10	.40 .40	.30
Early Daffodil, a nice yellow Eveleen Stinton, blush pink, overlaid with chocolate	1	.15 .50	.10 .35
Flare, scarlet red		.15 .75	.10 .50
* Gloriosa, light scarlet, cream throat * Golden Chimes, ruffled soft yellow		.40	.30
Greta Garbo, beautiful blush white		.75 .15	.50 .10

VARIETY AND COLOR	BULB Large	S Medium
Isolla Bella, large ruffled light lilac 2 Jalna, fine smoky, slate gray and salmon10	.15	.10 .40
J. S. Bach, scarlet salmon 2 King Arthur, large ruffled deep lavender10	.15	.10
Lady Astor, fine orange salmon 1 Lady Astor 10	.30 <b>\$2.00</b>	.20 \$1.50
* Lotus, soft light pink, cream throat	.40 .40	.30
* Lights of Gold, ruffled salmon pink, yellow throat	.40	.30
Margaret Beaton, beautiful blotched white	.20	.15
* Marmora, smoky slate gray	.40 .40	.30 .30
Mary Brown, peach with old gold spots	.10 .40	.06
Master Myron, immense medium red	.70 .40	.60 .30
Mildred Chandler, orange red, tangerine throat	<b>\$2.00</b> \$15.00	\$1.50 \$10.00
* Morocco, dark velvety maroon	.40 .40	.30 .30
* Mrs. Anna Pfitzer, beautiful creamy white	.40 .40	.30 .30
Myrna, fine ruffled white	.35 .15	.25 .10
* Our Selection, smoky salmon rose	.40 .40	.30
* Picardy, fine salmon pink	.40 .40	.30
* Red Phipps, light scarlet red10  Roanoke, pure pink Sport of Picardy. All stock reserved	.40	.30
* Roi Albert, popular smoky rose	.40 .60	.30 .40
Rosa Van Lima, exhibition light pink	.10 .40	.06 .30
* Schwabin Girl, pure light pink	.40 .40	.30 .30
Shenandoah, fine smoky, autumn leaf colors	.30 \$2.00	.20 :\$1.50
Shirley Temple, large ruffled cream		
* Spirit of St. Louis, orange saffron	.40	.30
Surfside, good tall white	.30	.30

VARIETY AND COLOR Per	BULE Large	S Medium
* Token, salmon, cream yellow throat	.40	.30 .20
Vagabond Prince, mahogany brown, flame blotch	.15 .25	.10 .15
* Wasaga, ruffled clear apricot	.40 \$1.00	.30 .75
* Wurtembergia, bright red, cream blotch	.40 .15	.30 .10

General Mixture, our selection, \$2.00 per 100. General Mixture, your selection, \$3.00 per 100.

The difference in these two mixtures is this: The General Mixture consists of all colors of our own selection, ready mixed. This may include some of our finest, because labels sometimes get lost and such varieties have to be put into this mixture.

The Select Mixture is made up when an order is filled, from varieties marked with an asterisk. The customer may indicate colors and varieties so marked, but should our stock run low on a selected variety we reserve the right to substitute another variety of like color and quality. Nor can we keep the varieties chosen separated. They will be mixed when we deliver them. Both mixtures are of varying sizes but all will be large enough to bloom. All varieties shown in bold type are our own originations.